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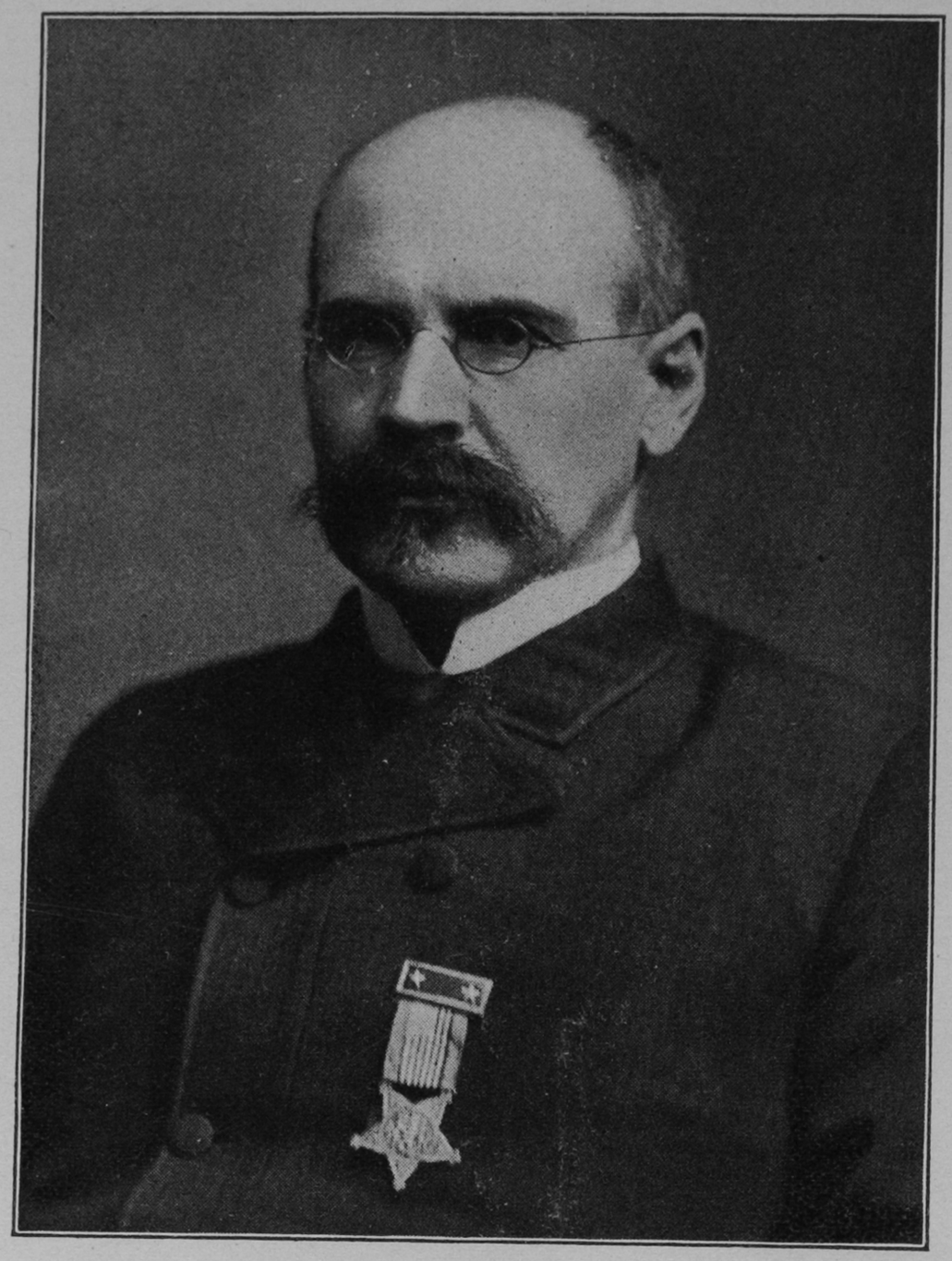

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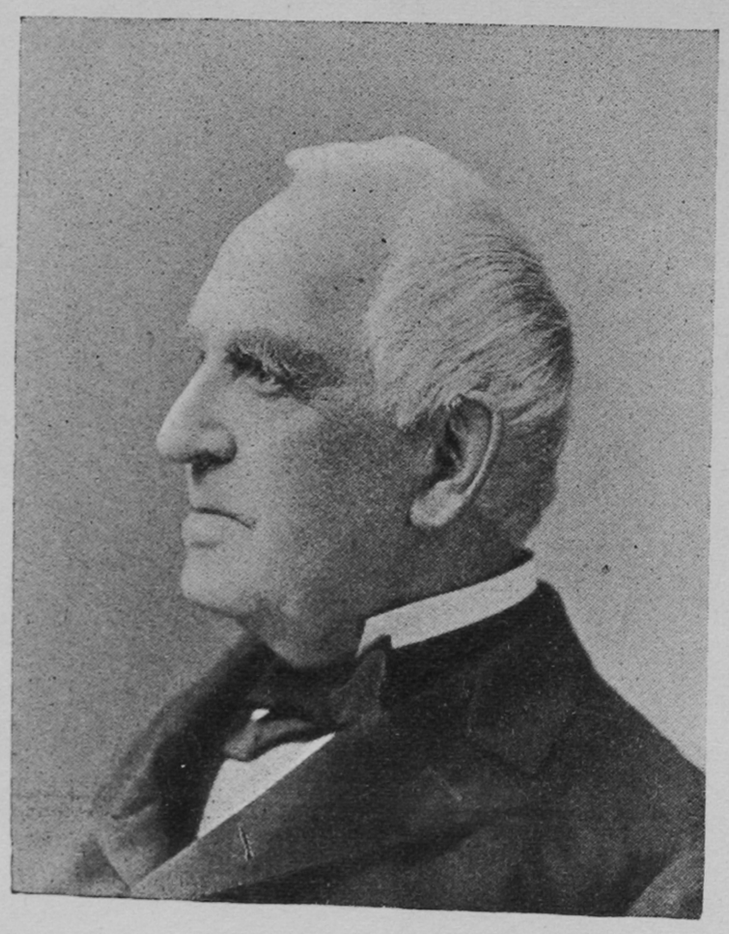

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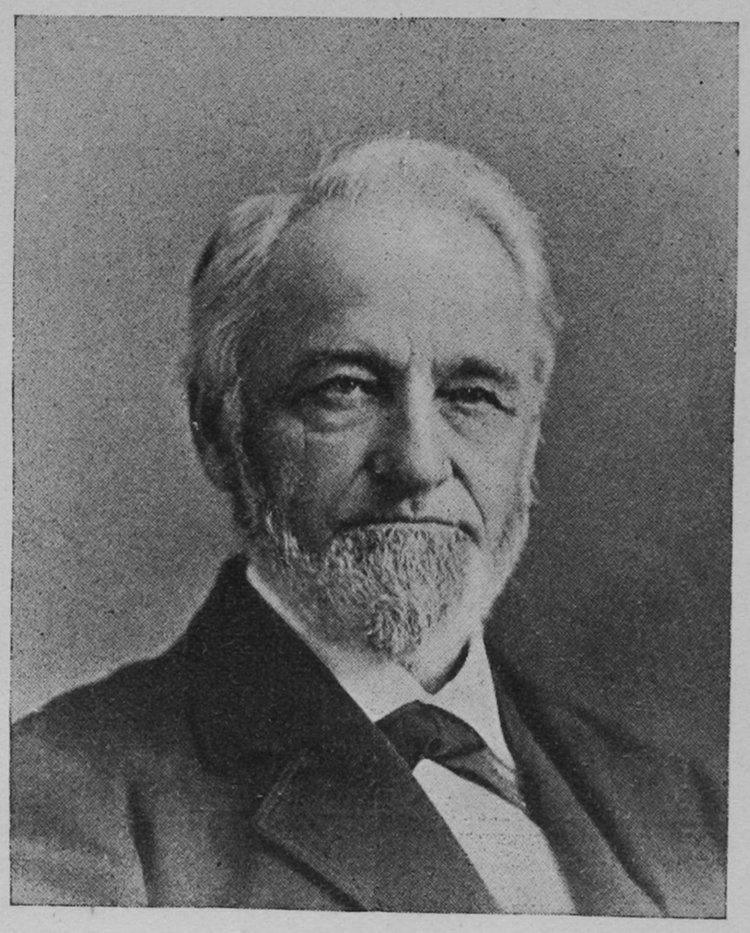

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EDITORIAL.

WITH this number the UNDERGRADUATE begins its twenty-fifth volume. Several innovations have been made in this issue, and they will be followed by others as rapidly as they appear beneficial. On this point let us hear from our readers, especially the alumni. This centennial year is *your* year, and it will be the object and aim of the UNDERGRADUATE to serve you in every way possible. This issue is larger than usual, and we shall endeavor to keep up an increased size throughout the year. Any communications from alumni in the way of college history, personal or class reminiscences, etc, will be gladly received and will be appreciated by our readers. In the development of interest and enthusiasm of this year we assure you that the UNDERGRADUATE will be found in no way deficient.

AN innovation that attracted little attention at the last Commencement, and yet was far reaching in its significance, was the change in the designation of the evening service of Baccalaureate Sunday to the Anniversary of the Christian Associations. Instead of being entirely a Y. M. C. A. affair the sermon this year was preached under the auspices of the two Christian Associations and the anniversary of each was observed at that time. This recognition of the young ladies is most fitting, for in the Christian work of the college they have been most active and successful.

IT is with regret that we call attention to one feature of this issue—that of the obituary department. We believe that never before in one issue has the UNDERGRADUATE been called upon to record the loss of so many alumni, and alumni so well known and closely connected with he history and government. In the death of Dr. Sawyer and Judge Roberts the college has lost her two venerable and oldest graduates, and the death of Judge Slade, following as it does so soon after that of Judge McIntyre, has left a double vacancy in the Board of Trustees. We can only hope that future issues will have less painful news to record.

TO the members of a new class entering college, various lines of activity present themselves. This is as it should be, and it is to be hoped that every new student—and old one for that matter—will avail himself or herself of these opportunities as far as time and ability will allow. But in your scheme of work allow some time and interest for the UNDERGRADUATE. Other things may have their advocates, but for none of them can there be offered a greater return in a broad academic culture. Faithful work in its behalf may not be as spectacular as a brilliant play on the athletic field, or furnish as much amusement as a glee club trip, but its reward is no less sure or less practical in the actual business of after life.

The columns of the UNDERGRADUATE are open to all students, and a cordial invitation is given by the management to assist with contributions or otherwise. Editorial positions under the present system of college credits are especially desirable and their attainment rests entirely with the individual. The requirements consist only of membership in the Undergraduate

Association—which is merely a subscriber of the paper—and the contest for places upon the editorial board is decided wholly on the basis of the amount, quality and regularity of original matter contributed.

This appeal is not made entirely from a selfish motive, for in several departments the UNDERGRADUATE has, and has had for some time, material for issues ahead. The more of it, however, the better; the better for the UNDERGRADUATE, the better for the college, the better for the student.

IT is very pleasant to note the business-like condition of athletics this term. Everything has been brought down to a practical basis—a first-class coach has been secured, and, what is most important for the good of the team, a training table has been established and the members put into regular training. The last has been begun too late in the season to obtain the full benefits, but it cannot fail of a general good effect. It is only when a college team lays aside the idea that they are in it for the fun of the thing and get down to hard work and a proper training to put themselves in condition for that work, that victories can be expected. A team cannot expect to be backed up by college sentiment and money when the individual members do not make the most of their opportunity to put themselves in the best physical condition possible. There has been too much disregard of simple rules of health in the past in the way of smoking, late hours, etc., to be at all to the glory of the team. We are decidedly glad to see the change of sentiment in regard to this, and can only wish it was begun sooner.

By the way, if abstinence from these and other things is best for a football player, why is it not for any one?

AFTER vexatious delays and almost insurmountable difficulties the *Laurea* was issued during the summer and has been distributed to subscribers.

In another column will be found a careful review by Professor Wright, which will serve in place of any editorial comment which of course would be out of place. In justice to the editors, however, we cannot forbear to say a word concerning the change of name—a subject which has already attracted far more attention than its importance deserves.

The class of 1900 started out with the idea of issuing a centennial publication which would be unique, and in accordance with that idea the efforts of the editors were directed along lines as distinct as possible from all annuals either of this or other colleges.

The change involves no slight on past volumes, for with the above object in view, no name however endeared by past tradition would have been appropriate. This was felt by all concerned, and the overwhelming sentiment of the class and to a good extent of the college was in support of the position as stated.

The *Laurea* is *not* "the sixteenth volume of the *Kaleidoscope*" or any other college annual, and in this is found just the distinction that the editors sought to bring out. It only endeavors to fill a niche peculiar to itself, and no effort is made to induce succeeding classes to continue the name or aim of the work under discussion.

It is unfortunate that this misunderstanding should have arisen, but it is hoped that it will not detract from the enjoyment of the volume. The management are sincere in this point, for the book will sell, if at all, on its own merits; the class is conducting no charitable enterprise, and no one is asked to take it if after examination it is not considered worthy of the price asked—which is no higher than other college publications. Everything is conducted upon a strictly quid pro quo basis.

LITERARY.

FOREFATHERS' DAY.

AN ODE, BY REV. J. E. RANKIN, '48.

I.

One bitter winter's day,
Whose modest name
Was hitherto unknown to fame,
A little tempest-beaten, shattered bark,
Crawls wearily away,
Into a wild New England bay,
With icy waters turbulent and dark.

II.

She folds her tattered wings,
Like some lone bird of air,
Exhausted by her tedious wanderings;
Haggard and faint from want and care,
And almost driven to despair.
For many an adverse breeze
Had waked the cold, unknown, and lonely seas
Through which she plucked her pilgrim path,
And many a tempest with tumultuous wrath,

Had waged its warfare with her timbered knees,
Shaking her hulk with dread.
But still, as if by heavenly instinct led,
Through wat'ry deserts vast,
By forfeiture of shroud, and yard, and mast,
Her precious freight she bore,
And anchored then, at last
Upon New England's stern, forbidding shore.

III.

Their Argo let the Grecians sing!
Now she regained the golden fleece;
But who shall bring
A wreath of song to crown
With worthier renown
The Mayflower on her embassy of peace?
No goddess watched her shapely frame increase;
No Jason, searching for his realm,
Stood sovereign at the docile helm;
And yet the fragrance of her name
Will linger in the breath of fame
Till human cry shall cease.

IV.

Before them as they disembark the knolls
Are crowned with pines eternal, which have stood
In mute, unbroken brotherhood,
While centuries have reached their goals.
Against the rocks, in ice encased,
Like stepping-stones for coming nations placed,
The cold soliloquizing ocean rolls.
No Christian foot hath ever trod
These virgin snows:
No Christian praise to God
Hath broken the repose
Which first primeval silence did impose.
Is this the boasted land,
Are these the shores enchanted;
For which an exiled band
In distant dreams have panted?
Were they denied
A wilderness in all the eastern world,
That thus their sails they have unfurled
To find a place to die, beside
The dashing of Atlantic's tide?

V.

All hail ye kings and priests to God!
The seed of nations yet to be;
God's own decree
Hath made you earth's nobility,
And given the title to these regions broad,
I see you kneel devoutly on the shore
To take possession in His name:
Above the ocean's roar,
Your songs of might His love proclaim.
Ye chosen race by man reviled,
Hail to your home, long kept for you; and undefiled!
Hail to this desert wild:
This is your own domain,
To be,
So long as earth remain,
The heritage of liberty!

VI.

Faith without works is dead!
So Standish stalks by Brewster's side:
Exposing to the air his martial head;
Miles Standish with his beauteous bride—
The English rose,
That sheds her blushes on these Plymouth snows:
So soon to fade and die,
And down in early womanhood to lie
Beneath them for her last repose.
John Alden too, whose love so late was sung
By Henry of the golden tongue:
With sweet Priscilla, who defied
The widowed hero's suit, with all a maiden's pride;
And in his mother's arms, that offspring of the brine,
Already christened Peregrine;
A goodly company in all,
Which no disaster can appall:
A glorious corner-stone
Which God hath quarried, hewn, and laid alone!

VII.

And soon the ringing axe
The stalwart tree attacks:
And cabins rude arise,
Sending their curling tribute to the skies:
Mid wants and woes,
Apace the hamlet grows:
In sickness and distress,
They battle with the wilderness.

VIII.

Two hundred years have gone!
This scanty seed,
That God did sift from land to land,
And cast in solitude and need
Upon that Plymouth sand;
Her early promise doth exceed;

Hath put her glory on,
And shakes her top like Lebanon!

IX.

What means this flight
Of myriads from beyond the sea:
That fill the ocean with their canvas white,
And westward speed by day and night,
As if they sought some Mecca shrine
Beneath the sun's decline;
Or nation's universal jubilee?
What means this mighty tread,
Along the path of empire led,
That peoples towns with one descent,
And shakes a continent?
What mean these roofs and spires,
That stand in graded ranks,
Along the sweeping river's banks?
What mean these Christian Tyres,
That glisten on the Atlantic coast?
That make their boast,
Their horrid navies ride
On every ocean tide;
Their snow-white sails are furled
In every harbor of the peopled world!
What mean these mountain hamlets 'mid the trees?
Where age enjoys its well-earned ease;
Where labor finds a sure reward,
Nor bows to tyrant, nor to lord?

X.

This is your early fruit, ye pilgrim band,
Whose ashes sleep upon the strand,
Where first the Mayflower came to land.
Unworthy sons of glorious sires,
We come, to-night,
Our torches at your pilgrim fires,
Again to light:
That through the night
Which overhangs the future, we may know
The path your God would have us go.
We feel the pressure of your early vows;
Paternal blessings crown our brows.
We still would emulate
Your faith and holy zeal;
We still would feel
Your kindling hate
For outrage, tyranny and wrong:
We are your children! here we kneel
That God will still the Pilgrim race prolong,
And make them hardy, virtuous and strong;
That this our proud domain
May be
So long as earth remain,
The heritage of liberty.

[This poem was written in 1862, and then published in the Boston *Recorder*. The author had kept no copy of it, and it was lately restored to him by Doctor Boardman of Maryville, who had preserved it in his scrap-book.]

CONCERNING THE ALUMNI.

[Contributions in the way of literary articles, reminiscences and news of former graduates are especially solicited from alumni. In view of the nearness of the Centennial, these would be especially interesting and throughout the year the UNDERGRADUATE will give special attention to this department.

In the case of a change of address, alumni are specially requested to notify the Business Manager. Much trouble has been caused in the past by failure to do this.]

'32. Since the death of Thomas J. Sawyer, '29, and Daniel Roberts, '29, the honor of being the oldest living graduate of Middlebury College falls upon William M. Bass, M. D., of Boston, Mass.

'48. We are in receipt of a song entitled "The Hero of Manila," composed by Pres. J. E. Rankin. It is well up to the author's previous work.

'56. In the list of members of the Centennial Committee, as given in the July number, should be Dr. C. M. Mead, '56, instead of C. A. Mead, '91.

'57. Lauren Redfield of New York has been spending a portion of the summer in Middlebury.

'57. Horace H. Thomas is United States Appraiser at the port of Chicago.

'57 H. M. Porter is solicitor for the Hamilton Bank Note Co. of New York.

'57. In a recent communication, H. B. Furness says: "If I can possibly arrange matters so as to meet my classmates at the reunion, I shall do so." So say they all.

'57. S. Knowlton is just completing eight years in his pastorate at Danville, Vt. He expects soon to retire from active service.

'59. Rev. M. L. Severance, who for fourteen years past has been the pastor of the old First church of Bennington, recently resigned the position and has removed to Middlebury, and will make his home here.

'60. John Russ has been made President of the Board of Education of Oakland, California.

'60. E. B. Sherman has been elected President of the Oakland Culture club of Chicago.

'63-non-grad. F. G. Butterfield was elected commander of the Vermont G. A. R. at the last general encampment.

'66-non-grad. Thaddeus M. Chapman was one of the marshals from Addison County at the Dewey celebration at Montpelier.

'74. Rev. C. C. Gove has resigned the rectorship of St. Michael's church at Oakfield, N. Y., after a ten years' successful pastorate.

'74. Geo. M. Wright spent the summer in Paris in the interests of Hilton, Hughes & Co., of which firm he is the assignee.

'79. Rev. Edward R. Brainerd of Los Angeles, Cal., spent the summer here with his brother, President Brainerd.

'80. Henry R. Dorr of Rutland has been commissioned captain of Company A, 1st Vermont Infantry.

'81. Rev. James L. Barton has been chosen to deliver a course of lectures at the Bangor Theological Seminary on the "Theory and Practice of Missions."

'86-non-grad. The United States Department of Agriculture has issued as a publication of the Weather Bureau a work on "An Advance in Measuring and Photographing Sounds," by Benjamin F. Sharpe, M. A.

'89. One of the signers of the famous "Round Robin" concerning the Philippine censorship was Robert M. Collins. The widely published letter in explanation of the same, which came out some time after, was written by him. Mr. Collins is in charge of the Associated Press work in those islands.

'90 and '91. A son was born to Rev. and Mrs. John M. Thomas recently.

'90. Burton W. Norton was married recently to Miss Flora E. Helmbolt of Orfordville, Wis. Mr. Norton is a prominent young attorney of Rockford, Ill., enjoying a lucrative business.

'93. J. B. Donoway is acting as counsel for Eastwood, the murderer who terrorized Middlebury recently.

'93. Edgar R. Brown spent his vacation on Lake Champlain and at Vergennes. Mr. Brown's appointment as principal of one of the Newark, N. J., schools was confirmed recently.

'93. Benjamin C. Miner was married in August to Miss M. L. Thompson of Rouse's Point, N. Y. He is Principal of Beach Institute, Savannah, Ga.

'94-non-grad. C. R. Benton was married July 11, in the M. E. church at Vergennes, to Miss Ruth Ingham of that city. Mr. Benton is now engaged in machine designing in the experimental department of the American Lithograph Co., New York.

'94. Stanton S. Eddy has received another promotion and is now chief physician of one of the divisions of the Boston City Hospital.

'95. B. E. Marshall, who graduated from the New York Homeopathic Medical college last June, is in the Hannemann Hospital.

'95. George S. Wright is Principal of the High School at Bethel.

'96. Parker Williamson has secured a position as instructor in French at Princeton University.

'96. A son was born to Elmer H. and Alice Florence Tyler Cutts recently.

'96. E. M. Roscoe has resigned his position in the New York Military Academy at Cornwall-on-Hudson and accepted the principalship of the Waterbury (Vt.) High School.

'97. L. C. Russell is Assistant Principal in a high school in Buffalo, N. Y.

'97. M. D. Whitney has resumed his duties as private secretary to Ex-Gov. C. S. Page at Hyde Park, after an extended vacation.

'98. H. A. Hinman is teaching in a military school at Cornwall-on-the-Hudson.

'98. J. A. Lobban is Principal of the High School and Superintendent of Schools at Wilmington, Vt

'98-non-grad. B. M. Bristol, who graduated from Harvard College of Dentistry this spring, has opened an office at Highland Falls, N. Y.

'98. W. H. Botsford was married on the evening of Aug. 10, to Miss Kate Elmer of Addison, at the residence of the bride's parents. About one hundred friends and relatives were present, among whom were E. M. Roscoe, '96, D. P. Hurlburt, '99, and A. B. Willmarth, 1900. Mr. Botsford has resumed his duties as principal of the Wallingford High School.

'99. The September *Rhodora* contains an article on "The Agaricus (Psalliota) of the Champlain Valley" by C. O. Smith.

CLASS OF '99.

E. C. Bingham is teaching in Randolph Normal School.

F. W. Cady is introducing school books among the Illinois schools.

L. R. Howard is to enter the insurance business soon.

D. P. Hurlburt is preaching in Bridport.

H. F. Lake is Principal of the Cincinnatus Academy and Union School at Cincinnatus, N. Y.

W. B. Richmond is Principal of a high school at Arkport, N. Y.

C. O. Smith is teaching in Shoreham.

G W. Stone is at the head of the Latin department of the Newton, N. J., graded school. He spent the summer with E. G. Bridgham, '97, and D. H. Blossom, '96, in Utah.

R. L. Thompson is preaching at West Hebron, N. Y.

Rufus Wainwright, Jr., is at home.

E. J. Waterman is studying law with his father. He has recently been made third lieutenant of the Brattleboro company, V. N. G.

Miss Anderson is teaching in Straight University, New Orleans, La.

Miss Crampton is teaching near St. Albans.

Miss Kelley is teaching in Chelsea, Mass.

Miss Potter is attending the Boston Normal School.

Miss Scoles is spending the year at Leverett, Mass.

Miss Southwick is at home.

Miss Sturges is teaching in Hyannis, Mass.

OBITUARY.

THOMAS JEFFERSON SAWYER, '29.

On July 24 there passed away at his home at Tufts College the oldest graduate of Middlebury College, Thomas Jefferson Sawyer. Doctor Sawyer had been in the best of health up to within a few months, when he began slowly to fail. His life—almost spanning the century—has been most active and successful. The following account is reprinted from the *Laurea* and is from data furnished the editor of that publication by Dr. Sawyer himself:

Thomas Jefferson Sawyer was born at Reading, Windsor county, Vt., Jan. 9, 1804. He received his early education in the district school, and at 19 entered Chester Academy, and later Middlebury College. Here he was the eldest member of his class. On graduation from college he at once entered upon the study of theology with Rev. W. S. Balch at Winchester, N. H. In April, 1830, he went to New York city and took charge of a congregation worshipping in a little chapel on Orchard street. In 1834 he was instrumental in organizing the Universalist Historical Society, of which he has since been secretary and librarian, collecting during this time more than 3000 volumes. In 1884 he prepared a plan of polity which is substantially that by which the church has since been governed. Doctor Sawyer resigned his position in 1845 to accept the principalship of the Clinton Liberal Institute, Clinton, N. Y., and it was while there that Doctor Sawyer, keenly alive to the educational needs of the denomination, issued a call for the convention to be held in New York city in 1847, the outcome of which was the founding of Tufts College, the St. Lawrence University and the Canton Theological School. He was president of the first board of trustees at each place. In 1863 he became the editor of the *Christian Ambassador*, which position he held for three years. With the opening of the Tufts Divinity School in 1869, Doctor Sawyer was called to assume charge of it with the title of Packard Professor of Theology. In 1882 he was formally made dean. Two years later his eyesight forced him to retire from active work as a teacher, and in 1892 he was made Professor Emeritus The degree of S. T. D. was conferred on him by Harvard University in 1850, and Tufts added the LL.D. in 1895. He has twice been elected president of Tufts College and once of Lombard University, and was an honorary member of the Phi Beta Kappa chapter at Tufts.

The following personal word is given by President Capen of Tufts College, in the Boston *Transcript:*

In the death of Rev. Thomas Jefferson Sawyer, D. D., LL. D., at the rare age of ninety-five and a half, there has passed from earth one of the foremost men of the generations in which his active work was done. Taken all in all, he was one of the two or three greatest men that the Universalist church has produced. Beginning his work in New York city in 1830, when his position was relatively to then prevailing beliefs almost as revolutionary, at least so regarded by the ignorant and bigoted, as the late Robert Ingersoll's, he lived to see the orthodox churches so reconciled to it that Ingersoll's attack was absurd, because aimed at dogmas nobody longer defended. Universalism, in its upholding of the divinity of Christ, takes its place rather with conservative than radical influences today. But in his prime, Dr. Sawyer did for his chosen faith something analogous to what Hosea Ballou had done in Boston. He was, literally, a pioneer, not only in proclaiming what was then a new and strange dogma, but in laying the foundations of an effective religious organization. For the undertaking which he assumed he had some qualifications which the elder Ballou lacked. With him

the highest intellectual endowment was enriched by high culture—with the attendant graces of elegance and a genial humor—strengthened by profound training, and all made effective by exact scholarship.

As a controversialist he was without a peer. No man ever met him in argumentative combat but to suffer defeat. Moreover, the defeat was so skilfully accomplished that his opponent was hardly aware of it until it was done. In the pulpit or on the platform, when in his best mood, he had a grace and charm of manner that put him in the rank of the great orators of his time. But he was equally skillful with his pen. For a period of forty years he was accustomed to furnish regularly to the quarterly magazine of his Church articles which were a contribution to the theological discussions that have marked the century which his life had so nearly spanned. As editor, first of the *Christian Messenger*, and later of the *Christian Ambassador*, he wrote articles which would repay persual today if only for their style—a style which has often been likened to Addison's His editorship of the *Ambassador* covered the period of the war of the Rebellion, and the paper was the repository of a fervid patriotism that rendered good service to the Union cause.

Not only was he a pioneer of a new doctrine, but he was a pioneer of educational institutions for his church. In 1844 he removed from New York city to Clinton, and there laid the foundations of what is now known as the Clinton Liberal Institute. He aimed, of course, to give a general academic education, but he also conducted a class in theology, and many men who have since achieved eminence in the ministerial profession, received their training at Clinton under his skilful guidance. Very soon after the commencement of his enterprise at Clinton, he began the agitation among the Universalists, which, by the aid it received from Hosea Ballou, 2d., Otis A. Skinner, and later A. A. Miner, resulted in the establishment of Tufts College. What perhaps rendered his efforts the most effective in behalf of the higher education was the fact that he was the embodiment of the training which he advocated for others.

Naturally, when Tufts College was organized, he was offered the presidency. But for reasons which to him seemed satisfactory, he declined the office. For similar reasons, no doubt, he declined the tender of the same office in connection with other institutions of collegiate rank. Nevertheless, when, in 1869, it was determined to organize a theological school in connection with Tufts College, he accepted the invitation to become its head. Since then—a period of thirty years—he has been identified with the Tufts Divinity School, though by reason of the failure of his eyesight, some twelve years ago, he was forced to abandon the work of teaching and supervision.

In 1834 he organized the Universalist Historical Society, through the instrumentality of which he has succeeded in collecting a unique library of between three and four thousand volumes relating to the doctrines of Universalism in ancient and modern times. This library is now practically incorporated with the library of Tufts College. Dr. Sawyer enjoyed, for more than sixty years, the companionship of a woman of the rarest order of intellectual refinement, and yet endowed with the charming qualities which make home attractive. One does not often see in this world a more perfect union. His mental gifts were of the first order. His scholarship was of the "all round" sort—such is not often seen in this age of specialization. He was a man of perfect poise, never overcome by gusts of passion, and never swept away by enthusiasms. To the young men who came under his care he was ever the type, not only of the clear-sighted and far-sighted intellectual leader, but the refined and cultured Christian gentleman. His geniality, patience and serenity remained with him to the last moment of his life. Such a man is one of the forces which make our civilization happy and glorious.

DANIEL ROBERTS, '29.

Hardly had the first sorrow of the college at the death of her oldest graduate, Dr. Sawyer, passed away before there came the sad news of the death of him who in turn bore the venerable name of oldest graduate, Daniel Roberts, a class-mate of the former. As Dr. Sawyer was the eldest of his class, so Mr. Roberts was the youngest, and the friendship of the two had been most intimate. Mr. Roberts survived his classmate but a few weeks, his death occurring at his home in Burlington, Oct. 6. The following biographical sketch is found in the Burlington *Free Press:*

Mr. Roberts was born in Wallingford, Vt., May 25, 1811—the son of Daniel and Almira Roberts, who were natives of Litchfield county, Connecticut. Daniel, Senior, was the son of a soldier of the Revolution, and one of the early settlers in Wallingford, Vt., whence he moved to Manchester, Vt., about 1830. His son, Daniel, was the fifth of a family of ten children. He spent his boyhood on his father's farm; entered Middlebury college and graduated in 1829, at the age of eighteen, and was at the time of his death the oldest surviving alumnus of that institution. After leaving college he studied law with Hon. Harvey Button of Wallingford, and was admitted to the bar of Rutland county at the September term in 1832. He then went to seek his fortune in the West and South, going down the Mississippi to New Orleans, and stopping at Natchez, Miss., where he was admitted to the bar, but did not find sufficient encouracement to remain long. Returning North he went to Jacksonville, Ill., where his classmate Rev. Truman M. Post, was engaged as a tutor in Illinois College, and commenced the practice of his profession in that place in the office of Hon. Murray McConnell. In 1835 he returned to Vermont, on a visit, and was persuaded to remain and open a law office in his native town. He, however,

soon found a better opening elsewhere, and in 1836 he removed to Manchester, where he took the office of the late Judge Milo L. Bennett, when the latter removed to Burlington, and practiced law with ability and success for twenty years. In 1856, deeming that Burlington offered a better field for his powers, he removed to this town, with his family. Here he formed a partnership with Hon. L. E. Chittenden, which was ended by the removal of Mr. Chittenden to Washington, when he was appointed register of the United States treasury in 1861. After that he practiced by himself till about 1875, when he took his second son, Robert Roberts, into partnership with himself under the firm name of Roberts & Roberts. He remained in continuous and active practice of the law, practically up to the time of his death—a period of sixty-seven years of service at the bar. His practice extended over the counties of Chittenden, Addison, Rutland and Bennington, and in the United States Courts, and comprised a great variety of cases, civil and criminal. His name appears as an attorney in the Stat Law Reports in 1837, and appears in a similar capacity in every subsequent volume of the Reports, up to and including the 70th volume—the last published. There can be very few parallels to a legal practice of such remarkable duration.

Mr. Roberts held several public offices of considerable responsibility. He was State bank commissioner, 1853–4; special agent of the United States treasury department, 1865–6; city attorney of Burlington, 1865–6, 1869–70, 1880–81; State's attorney of Chittenden county, 1868–9. He was offered the position of solicitor of the United States treasury department during Gen. Grant's first term as President, but declined the offer. Though never a member of the Legislature, he had not a little share for many years, in shaping the laws of our State. In particular he was largely instrumental in securing a simplification of the old rules of criminal pleading, and in enlarging the property rights of women. His views upon law reform were stated at length in the address which he delivered as president of the Vermont Bar Association, in 1880.

He was engaged for a number of years in preparing the valuable Digest of the decisions of the Supreme Court of Vermont, which was published in 1878, with the supplement thereto, published in 1889. In accuracy and terseness of statement Roberts' Vermont Digest is a model. It is a standard authority among the members of the Vermont Bar, and our State judiciary.

Mr. Roberts was the orator of the day at the Vermont centennial celebration at Bennington in August, 1877, when he delivered an impressive address, valuable as a historical document, and admirable in its scholarly finish and style. In general it may be said that Mr. Roberts had a fine command of the English language and a style worthy of imitation for clearness and conciseness.

At the semi-centennial of his college class in 1879 he received the degree of LL. D. from Middlebury College.

In July, 1837, Mr. Roberts was married to Caroline, daughter of Rev. Stephen Martindale of Wallingford, who died June 14, 1886. Four children survive him —Mary, Caroline M., Dr. Stephen M. of Nantucket, Mass., and Robert.

Mr. Roberts was a man of marked character—of untiring industry, of great independence of judgment and action, of fine literary taste, of a poetic temperament, though he did not often woo the muse in writing; gifted in song, a lover of music, and of all things good and true. In politics he was a free-soiler, in the days preceding the formation of the republican party—and we believe at one time he came near to being sent to Congress from the First district. Later he was a firm supporter of temperance, law, order, educatian, and religion.

WILLARD DEMING BROWN, '66.

Rev. Willard Deming Brown died at Interlacken, Florida, Sept. 25, at the age of sixty-two, he having been born at New Haven in 1837. He sustained a paralytic shock about six weeks ago, but the immediate cause of his death was a cerebral hemorrhage. In a communication to the UNDERGRADUATE the following tribute to his life and character is given by his friend and class-mate, Rev. N. R. Nichols:

Death has again stricken the class of '66, Rev. W. D. Brown was prostrated by an attack of paralysis while in the pulpit, and in a few weeks, on Sept. 25, he entered into rest. He was a diligent, hard-working student, firm in his convictions of right, a wise counselor and a faithful friend. He, with others, was influential in leading me to Christ, and into the Christian ministry. I considered him a true Christian in college. But early in his theological course, deep heart-searching led him to fresh consecration and more self-denying labor. Before graduation from the theological seminary in 1869, he was invited to locate in Gilbertville, Mass., where he was ordained in 1870, and where he spent a successful ministry of some nineteen years. Thence he went to Interlacken, Florida, in 1888, where his ministry continued until death. The abundance and the appropriateness of the floral offerings at his funeral bespoke the respect and love of his people

A useful life has closed. The call came while he was in the discharge of active duty. Rollins college loses a trustee, and Middlebury college a loyal son. His eager anticipations of being present at the Centennial were not to be realized. The memory of a kind and self-sacrificing father remains to his children. His first marriage was with Martha Pope of Johnson, Vt., who died in Gilbertville. Later, Mary Brown of Gavett City, Conn., became his wife; she with a son and daughter, and his brother and sister, are left to the loneliness and sorrow of bereavement.

JAMES MADISON SLADE, '67.

Judge James M. Slade of the probate court of the Addison district, Addison County, died late Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 13, 1899. The announcement was wholly unexpected by the community, although it was known that he had been for a few days quite ill at his home on Court street in Middlebury.

Judge Slade was born June 27, 1843, in Middlebury, and was the second son of the late James M. Slade, the elder being William, who died some ten years ago. He was educated in the old Addison County Grammar school and in Middlebury College, graduating from the latter in the class of 1867 with a high record for scholarship, delivering the valedictory addresses at the commencement. He was subsequently elected a member of Phi Beta Kappa. Beginning the study of law at once in the Albany Law School in company with his college classmate, Judge George E. Lawrence of Rutland, he completed his reading in the office of Stewart & Eldredge here and was admitted to the bar in 1869. In 1870 he was appointed by Gov. John W. Stewart as secretary of civil and military affairs and continued as such to the end of the term in 1872. Under United States Collector of Internal Revenue Rollin J. Jones, he served as deputy several years and did the principal work of the office efficiently. A superb penman, mathematician and accountant, his books and reports were models of beauty and accuracy and brought from inspecting officials and headquarters at Washington many high encomiums. In the fall of 1874 he was elected to the House of Representatives, in the Vermont Legislature, and served until 1876 with distinguished ability both as a committee worker and floor debater, his valuable experience in his association with Governor Stewart four years before standing him in good stead.

In 1878 he was chosen state's attorney of Addison county and held the office until 1882, and was town grand juror many years. On the resignation of Judge L. E. Knapp, '62, upon his appointment to the governorship of Alaska in 1889, Mr. Slade was appointed judge of probate for the district of Addison, and has held the office by successive elections to the present time. At different times he has been village attorney, trustee and town law agent, selectman, auditor and school committeeman. Under the old system he was for many years town superintendent of schools, and had himself taught district schools during the winters of his academy and college courses, with marked success. He made an admirable presiding officer at public meetings, having a fine presence, standing above six feet in height and weighing over 200 pounds, having a strong, clear voice and a good knowledge of parliamentary practice and procedure.

He was a natural politician, as were his father and grandfather, Governor William Slade, '07, before him. Two uncles, William Slade, '36, of Ohio, long time consul at Nice and minister at Brussels, and Henry M. Slade, '50, holder of a prominent position in the treasury department at the time of his death in 1875, were also prominent in official and political life. It was a family trait well developed in the subject of this sketch.

A few years after his admission to the bar he formed a partnership with Henry R. Harris, which was dissolved when Mr. Harris removed to Texas. A later partnership, the one now terminated by death, was made with his former law instructor, Hon. L. D. Eldredge, '57.

From his Alma Mater he received the degrees of A. B. and A. M. in course; was elected Secretary of the Corporation in 1883, and became a member of the Board of Trustees in 1892, performing the duties of both positions until his death. Expressions of sorrow and regret are universal, for not only was he a man of great prominence in the affairs of the state and county, but personally he was well liked.

HIRAM SMITH, '71.

Hiram Smith died Wednesday afternoon, June 28, at his home on East 4th St., Cameron, Mo. He had been very low for some time and death was not unexpected. We are indebted to the Cameron *Sun* for the following biographical sketch:

He was born April 11, 1845, at Marshfield, Vt., and en ered the Union army in 1863. He was a brave soldier, and in the cause of the Union lost his left arm and leg. After being wounded and physically disabled he completed his college course and graduated from the Ann Arbor (Mich.) Law School in 1873. He came to this city soon after and has been a well known cititizen and lawyer for over a quarter of a century. He has been a leader in political matters, has held a number of important offices, as city attorney, judge of the county court, and many years justice of the peace. He was an active member of the G A. R., being a charter member of the Joe Hooker Post, having been a Department Commander of Missouri G. A. R., and Deputy Pension Commissioner during President Harrison's administration. He was a leading member of the Presbyterian church.

In his death Cameron has lost an able lawyer, a patriotic citizen, a noble man. A heart-broken wife and five children, Sherman, Fay, Shirley, Ernest and Philip, are left to mourn a devoted and affectionate husband and a kind and loving father. From a large circle of friends and neighbors tears of sympathy will flow for the sorrowing family in this their greatest affliction.

The following tribute to his life and character is given by his friend and classmate, Professor Howard:

I remember well my first meeting with Hiram Smith. We had come up together for our examination for admission to college at commencement time, in the old college library. Professor Robbins ex-

amined us in Greek, Professor Albee in Latin and Professor Parker in Mathematics. I see still the big alcoved room full of books, the dark red carpet, the hanging curtains. I recall the faces of the professors, and I can now turn to the very passages in Virgil and Cicero and the Anabasis upon which I was examined. But I see plainest of all a tall, gaunt figure and a face full of force bearing signs of hardship and suffering. That man was Hiram Smith. He made an impression upon me that day that never died away. In all the four years of our college life he stood to me, and I think to us all, as the type of all that was brave and heroic and self sacrificing, the embodiment of devotion and patriotism. There were other soldiers in our class but no Bayard like this. I never saw him struggle to his feet to recite his lesson like a school boy, without thinking of the part he had acted in that gigantic struggle where men contended and where he had fought his good fight and kept the faith. The return of this man to the quiet work of learning his Latin and Greek like the rest of us, was one of the great lessons of American citizenship. To such a man, a veteran in real battle and a contestant in so vast a struggle, our little affairs must have seemed more or less trivial. But if so, he never put on any airs of greatness or superiority, and entered into all our interests as a class as if he had never had part in greater things. Still there was a difference. We all felt, I think, that such a man with such a history could be nothing partizan or unfair in anything. So he became in my mind, and I am sure in the mind of all of us, a man to be trusted in the things that so much interest college boys. He was the father of the class, not in age, for there were older men among us, but in the grave feeling of confidence and respect of which I have spoken. He was a manly man. There was no smallness or narrowness about him. He had the absolute respect, confidence and affection of every man in the class and of every man in college. 'Big Smith', our affectionate nickname, described him exactly. His was a big nature. He was built upon a large plan in body mind and heart. It was not my good fortune to see much of him after graduation, but I remember his last visit at the college commencement, two or three years ago. He had grown older as we all have the habit of doing, but he was the same splendid fellow after all the years and seemed to have changed but little. His interest in his classmates was hearty and excluded no one. Everyone was inquired for and his pleasure in each man's success was unaffected. He anticipated with the keenest pleasure coming back to the Centennial and meeting all his classmates then. But this was not to be. His success in life in some measure is shown by the story of his career. But I am sure any meagre statement of success won in his profession or in official life must come far short of giving any just estimate of the good work he did in the world. He was not a man of ostentation who made display of what he did, or cared to have a trumpet blown before his face. But in all the things that were honest, in all the things that were true, in all the things that were of good report, he thought upon those things. His work is done. He fought for liberty. He died not to enslave men but to set them free, and he paid the last full measure of devotion that government of the people, for the people and by the people should not perish from the earth.

As we go to press the sad news comes to us of the death of James Simmons, '41, who passed away Oct. 13, at his home in Lake Geneva, Wis. A full account of his life will be given in the next issue.

THE LAUREA.

To say that the *Laurea* is the best, all things considered, of the long line of Middlebury annuals, is not to disparage any earlier issues; it would be to its own disparagement, rather, if such were not the case. The editors who had it in charge and the class they represent are to be congratulated on the gratifying outcome of well directed and persistent effort. There are, of course, not a few faults both positive and negative; there are certain errors of judgment that one cannot help feeling might easily have been avoided; but after all criticism has been offered, the fact remains that in plan and execution the work is a success. To begin with, the mechanical make-up in cover and content is exceptionally attractive; I do not know who is responsible for the exterior stamp, but it would surely be hard to imagine a design more generally and at the same time more distinctively appropriate. The subject-matter, too, is for the most part worthy of its setting. The "administration" series, with its valuable collection of presidential portraits, is admirably conceived and carried out. It was a very happy thought, too, the drafting of alumni and personal friends, themselves distinguished, to write lovingly of one and another graduate whose records are interwoven with Middlebury's fame. To have Doctor Sunderland tell us of his old companion, Saxe; to learn of Henry Hudson from his younger class-mate, Phelps; and to be given that vivid picture of Mr. Phelps himself from the pen of his tutor, Jas. D. Butler—for all this and for much more we are indebted to the wise planning of the editors of the *Laurea*. I doubt whether a more intensely interesting collection of biographical reminiscence has ever been brought together in a college annual; and the permanent value of it is greatly enhanced by the appended portraits.

Passing from the past to the present, the shifting scenes of the current college life are abundantly presented. The figure suggests a closing comment on the title. No one familiar with the facts will question the peculiar propriety of the present choice, yet I cannot help feeling that the adverse criticism of many alumni is not without reason. The time-honored title *Kaleidoscope* was very felicitous—that is just what an annual should be. The Class of 1900, though, ought not to be blamed (if blame is just) for a departure from the custom; it was the Class of '98, with its valuable *Souvenir*, that made the break. Personally I hate to see the old title go, for I believe it is well worth retaining. It is justified in itself and it has become linked, in the minds of a generation of alumni, with this phase of student activity. On the other hand, there may be excellent reasons, as in the present instance, why another title commends itself. Is it not easily possible to satisfy both needs? Whenever, for any reason, a distinctive title seems desirable, a parenthetical sub-head can perpetuate the original series. The *Laurea*, then, would have been sub-designated on its title page as the sixteenth volume of *The Kaleidoscope*—a procedure that would doubtless have been satisfactory to all concerned.

C. B. WRIGHT.

CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Y. W. C. A. NOTES.

The annual tea given by the Young Women's Christian Association to all the college women was held in the Phrontisterion the first Saturday afternoon of the term. The room was very prettily decorated with Virginia creeper and asparagus. The tea and cocoa tables were in charge of Misses Baker, F. L. Smith and Weld.

Sunday afternoon, Sept. 24, Professor Bryant addressed the women of the college in the association room. Professor Bryant spoke very helpfully on Matt. 16:24, taking as his general thought the need of Christian living in college.

Miss Elizabeth Ross, one of the traveling secretaries of the Student Volunteer Movement, was with us from Sept. 30 to Oct. 3. One public meeting was held on Sunday afternoon. Miss Ross was able to meet several of the girls individually. Much help was gained from her visit and an inspiration for the work of the year.

The first regular monthly missionary meeting held on Oct. 11, was a rally meeting in the interests of the Mission Study Class. The first session of the class was held Oct. 14. Miss Mary Pollard, '96, is leader as last year. The course to be taken this year is entitled "Japan and Its Regeneration."

The Northfield Conference.

The seventh annual conference for young women held at Northfield, July 14–25, was attended by 500 women from colleges, preparatory schools, city associations, and other fields of labor. Miss Effie K. Price, who is at the head of the student department of the association, presided at the conference.

The daily program was the same as in former years, the forenoons being devoted to special conferences and the day closing with evening meetings on Round Top and in the Auditorium. The afternoons were given up to recreation.

Some of the delegations were very large, Smith sending fifty and Mt. Holyoke sixty. There were twenty from the institutions in our own State. Middlebury was represented by Miss F. M. Andrews, Miss Ethel Bates, Miss Evelyn Curtis, Miss F. M. Hemenway of 1900, and Miss A. W. Brooks and Miss M. F. Landon of 1901.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

We believe that the Y. M. C. A. has never begun a year under more encouraging circumstances. A larger number of new members have been admitted than has been the case for years. Interest in all the work has been increased, and this is especially the case in the matter of Bible study. Two classes have been organized with full membership. The Freshman class will take up the studies in the Life of Christ, as last year, and will be in charge of F. A. Simmons, 1902. The advanced class will take the studies in the Acts and the Epistles, with Guy B. Horton, 1900, as leader. The increased interest in this work is in itself a matter of great encouragement. This is in part due to the training and enthusiasm which our delegates brought from Northfield. Good results are expected from their efforts.

B. L. Stafford, 1901, has been elected treasurer in place of J. E. Parker, 1901, resigned.

The Northfield Conference.

The World Student Conference, held June 30–July 9, was by far the largest convention of its kind ever held at Northfield; 585 students registered from 145 educational institutions.

Middlebury was fortunate in being able to send three representatives—T. A. Carlson, 1900, F. D. Chatterton, 1900, and F. A. Simmons, 1902. Special attention was given by the delegates to different lines of Y. M. C. A. work, and as a result the association will be put on a more practical and business-like basis.

Topics.

Oct. 31.—A Service of Praise. Psalms 100 and 103,	W. M. Barnard
Nov. 7.—Christ the Light of the World. John 8:12–23,	F. B. Miner
Nov. 14.—God's Impartial Judgment. Romans 2:1–29,	James Hovey
Nov. 21.—Missionary meeting,	F. D. Chatterton
Nov. 28.—Thanksgiving. Psalm 30,	F. H. Allen
Dec. 5.—An Unchangeable Law. Gal. 6:7–9,	G. B. Horton
Dec. 12.—Christ a Young Man. Luke 2:40–52.	B. L. Stafford

LOCALS.

Professor Howard has been made President of the State Board of Normal School Commissioners.

L. F. Benton, Jr., a former member of the Class of 1901 has resumed his studies at the Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

President Brainerd attended the inauguration of President Faunce at Brown University Oct. 17, and that of President Hadley at Yale, on the day following.

Affairs between the lower classes have been very peaceful so far; several minor "scraps" have occurred but nothing definite has been achieved by either side.

At the opening of the term considerable difficulty was experienced through lack of light, the electric light plant having to shut down on account of the low water.

L. R. Brown, a former member of the class of '99, has joined the class of 1901. O. K. Collins, formerly of 1900, and Miss Murdock of Akron, O., have joined the Sophomore class.

A number of the Seniors, especially of the young women, appeared in caps and gowns the first day of the term, and they are to be worn quite generally throughout the year.

E. A. Baker of the class of 1902 did not return to college this year and has taken a position as teacher of Natural Science in Troy Academy, Troy, N. Y. He was married recently.

President Brainerd was away a week at the beginning of the term in attendance at the International Congregational Council at Boston. Dr. Brainerd was delegate from this state.

The Boarding Hall is in a very prosperous condition and more men are now there than has been the case for years. J. E. Stetson, 1900, is commissary and F. H. Bryant, 1900, treasurer.

The Chi Psi fraternity held its initiation on the evening of Oct. 4. The following members of the Freshmen class were received into membership: James Hovey, L. C. Squire, A. E. Taylor.

J. E. Parker, 1901, attended the annual convention of the Delta Upsilon fraternity held Oct. 18–21, with the chapter at the University of Michigan. A report of the convention will be given in the next issue.

The freshman class have elected the following officers: President, F. R. Ingalsbe; vice-president, Miss E. G. Thompson; secretary, Miss L. F. Dustin; treasurer, A. S. Richardson; toastmaster, L. C. Squire.

On Dewey day, Oct. 12, all college exercises were suspended and a number of students attended the Montpelier celebration. President Brainerd and Professor Howard were members of the state reception committee.

In the October *Century* will be found a comprehensive account of the Roman chorus given a year ago by the class of 1900. The article is by Professor Sanford and contain's several illustrations of participants including the long chorus picture.

When the students returned at the beginning of the year they were surprised by the sight of the new library building, already well along. Work has been proceeding rapidly since, and the walls of the first story are practically done. The exterior work is entirely of marble.

Miss Catherine C. Gove a iormer member of the class of 1900 who last year was preceptress of Cary Collegiate Seminary, Oakfield, N. Y., of which her father the Rev. C. C. Gove, '74, is Headmaster, is

now instructor in Latin and Greek at St. Helen's Hall, Portland, Oregon.

In response to a telegram sent by Professor Eaton in behalf of the students and faculty, the special train bearing Admiral Dewey on his way to Montpelier, Oct. 10, ran very slowly through the village, giving all the students and citizens a chance to see the Admiral, who appeared on the rear platform and bowed his acknowledgement of the enthusiastic greeting.

The annual reception by the Christian Associations to the Faculty and students of the college was given on the evening of Sept. 29, in the Phrontisterion and association room. There was a large attendance and a very enjoyable evening was spent. Light refreshments were served by the members of the association. The following received: Guy B. Horton, President of the Y. M. C. A.; Miss Florence Hemenway, President of the Y. W. C. A.; Professor and Mrs. Seeley, and Mrs. E. C. Bryant.

The following officers have been elected by the Senior class: President, S. B. Botsford; vice-president, F. H. Allen; secretary, Miss Florence Andrews; treasurer, Miss Evelyn Curtis; toastmaster, W. T. Barnard. It was voted to hold class day exercises next Commencement and the following were chosen to officiate on that occasion: Orator, Guy B. Horton; prophet, Miss B. E. Wright; poet, Miss Evelyn Dean; historian, Miss Florence Hemenway; presentations to juniors, E. C. Hooker.

Professor Burt spent the summer vacation abroad comparing American collections of fungi with type specimens in European herbaria. The first six weeks were so passed in the Royal Herbarium, Kew, England, and the last four in Sweden at Femsjö and in the Herbarium of E. Fries at the University of Upsala. Dr. Burt was given all the facilities of the Herbarium at Kew and was cordially received by the botanists of Sweden, he being the third American student of that subject who had visited that section. He brought back a large and valuable collection of European fungi many specimens being from the herbarium of Fries.

The young women are in no way behind the young men in musical lines, and have organized a glee club with Miss Evelyn Curtis as leader and Miss Rena Bisbee as business manager. It is composed of the following: 1st soprano, Miss Alice Brooks, Miss Katharine Bugbee, Miss Carrie Burditt, Miss Leila Dustin, Miss Alice Smith; 2d soprano, Miss Constance Barker, Miss Gertrude Cornish, Miss Florence Hemenway, Miss Ethel Thompson; 1st contralto, Miss Rena Bisbee, Miss Mary N. Dean, Miss Dorothy Graves, Miss Berniece Thomas; 2d contralto, Miss Evelyn Curtis, Miss Amelia Hausman, Miss Winifred Taft, Miss Florence Walker; accompanist, Miss Gertrude Cornish.

The men were chosen for the Glee Club Sept. 30. Miss Maude Stevens tried the voices of the numerous candidates, and the result of the choice gives a well-balanced club. These are the men elected: 1st tenor, C. A. Voetsch, 1902, J. M. Wright, 1903; 2d tenor, W. M. Barnard, 1901, J. E. Parker, 1901, F. A. Simmons, 1902; 1st bass, W. T. Barnard, 1900, S. B. Botsford, 1900, L. R. Brown, 1901, L. C. Squire, 1903; 2d bass, C. E. Wheeler, 1900, D. F. Clark, 1901, J. E. Thompson, 1902, Chas. Whitney, 1903. L. R. Howard, '99, and T. A. Carlson, 1900, will also assist the club; G. W. Roberts, is accompanist. Mr. Simmons is leader and Mr. Botsford business manager. Miss Stevens has been engaged to train the club, and her success with other organizations is a promise of the work the Middlebury club will soon be able to do. G. W. White, 1901, is organizing an instrumental club, which bids fair to be a valuable addition to the program. The first concert will be given in about three weeks.

CLASS OF 1903.

The present Freshman class consists of forty-one, twenty-five men and sixteen women. This makes it a close second to the class of 1900, which was the largest entering class in over half a century. Following are the members:

Charles Warren Allen,	Vergennes.
Mabel Anne Howe Baker,	Rutland.
Lena Mae Bixby,	Springfield.
Elbert Sidney Brigham,	St. Albans.
Katherine Clarissa Bugbee,	Athol, Mass.
Carrie Mason Burditt,	Pittsford.
William John Darnell,	Batavia, N. Y.
Mary Newton Dean,	Ferrisburg.
Burton Blakeslee Dimmock,	West Cornwall.
Mortimer Vincent Drake,	Ticonderoga, N. Y.
Leila Frances Dustin,	Malone, N. Y.
Henry Franklin Harvey,	Bristol.
Amelia Elizabeth Hausman,	East Northfield, Mass
Anna Sarah Hazen,	East Wallingford.
James Hovey,	New York, N. Y.
Lottie Mae Hull,	Napa, Cal.

Frank Richmond Ingalsbe, . . Oakfield, N. Y.
Bertha Mabel Kelsey, . . . Salisbury.
Claud Frederick Lester, . . Ticonderoga, N. Y.
Margaret Jane Mathison, . . Littleton, N. H.
Ledlie Dominick Moore, . . Chatham, N. J.
Mary Eva Munsey, ... Suncook, N. H.
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LIBRARY NOTES.

Among the gifts to the Library since our last report, are the Twenty-fourth annual report of the State Board of Health, from the State of Michigan; the Third annual report of the State Historian, Hon. Hugh Hastings, from the State of New York; Ten years of Treasury banking, etc., from Hon. Joseph H. Walker, M. C.; Memorial addresses on the life of Justin S. Morrill, from Senator Redfield Proctor; Recollections of a nonagenarian, from the author, the Rev. John C. Holbrook, D. D.; Harper's new monthly magazine, vol. 32, from Miss A. B. Callender; the Laurea, published by the Class of 1900, from the Class of 1900.

Mrs. Frederick Billings of Woodstock, Vt., kindly offered to present the Library with a copy of Willey's History of the College of California, now out of print, which offer having been accepted, she added to her donation Henry Swan Dana's History of Woodstock.

The Library is again indebted to Miss Susan D. Parker for gifts of copies of rare pamphlets relating to the college and town.

RECENT ACCESSIONS.

Brown. Later English drama.
Walker. Ten years of Treasury banking, etc.
Stevenson. British fungi (Hymenomycetes), 2 vol.
Massee. British fungus-flora, 3 vol.
Mivart. The cat.
Lister. Monograph of the mycetozoa.
Bennett. Latin grammar.
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Johnson. Elements of literary criticism.
Horton and others. Laurea, published by the Class of 1900.
Leonard. Who's who in America. . . . 1899–1900.
Winchester. Some principles of Literary criticism.
Holbrook. Recollections of a nonagenarian.
Lemaitre. Les contemporains, vol. 7.
Bliss, ed. Little masterpieces, Abraham Lincoln.
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Barrie. Window in Thrums.
Dobson. Eighteenth century vignettes, 3d series.
Wright. Life of Daniel Defoe.
Sumner. Financier and Finances of the American revolution. 2 vol.
Willey. History of the College of California.
Dana. History of Woodstock, Vermont.
Dana, J. C. Library primer.

ATHLETICS.

The athletic season has opened very auspiciously. Football enthusiasm has been high and the financial support good. Bart Bossidy of the Boston University Law School has been engaged as coach, and under him the team is developing well. A training table has been established at the Boarding Hall and the team put under strict discipline.

MIDDLEBURY, 28; T. C. A., 5.

In the first game Middlebury College won from T. C. A. with the greatest ease by a score of 28 to 5. The T. C. A. men were kept continually on the defensive, their only gains being made by Botsford of Rutland, who played with them during the last half. The line-up was:

MIDDLEBURY.		T. C. A.
Thompson, c		Pollock, c
Seiple, r g		Morse, r g
Stubbs, l g		Richards, l g
Skeels, r t		Eno, r t
Drake, l t		Kinney / Donley, l t
Hughes, r e		Snyder, r e
Newton, l e		Rowell, l e
McCuen, q b		Carver, q b
Clark, / Batchelder,	r h b	Stoecker, / Botsford, r h b
Wilcox, l h b		Hall, l h b
Wilds, f b		Sherman, f b

Touchdowns: Drake (4), Wilds (1), Botsford (1). Goals from touchdowns: Wilds (3). Referee, Mitchell of T. C. A. Umpire, Stearns, Middlebury. Fifteen-minute halves.

HERE AND THERE.

The base ball department of the Holy Cross Athletic association made over $2,000 during the past season.

An increase in the number of students seems to characterize most colleges this year. Yale, however, shows a considerable decrease.

Celebrity has great advertising power. Pres. McKinley visited Mount Holyoke last commencement, and that institution opens with a registration of 562. The public was informed that Dewey received part of his education at Norwich University, and Norwich now has a larger freshman class than ever before.

It is estimated that during the summer vacation from 3500 to 4000 strangers visit Harvard. In 1895 the guide system was adopted in order that visitors might more easily inspect the attractions of the great seat of learning. Each year the students regularly compete for positions as guides, and it is no wonder, since from nine to ten dollars a day is frequently realized.—*Holy Cross Purple.*

At 9 o'clock they sat like this,
He was not long in learning;
At 10 o'clock they sat like this—
The gas was lower burning.
Another hour they sat like this,
Still I'd not venture whether
Attwelveo'clocktheysatlikethis—
Allcrowdeduptogether.

—*Roanoke Collegian.*

PITCHING COPPERS.

There is only a brief transition from the marble playing period of existence to the more advanced stage of pitching coppers. One is not at all unlikely to follow the other, although is some rare cases they are chronologically identical. They are characterized by much the same elements, and the first is often, if not always, the outgrowth of the second.

The points of resemblance in which the two games abound so nearly agree, that from a distance it is exceedingly hard to distinguish pitching coppers from playing marbles. The positions assumed by the players are relatively the same. Each requires the same degree of accuracy and skill. Each brings into play the same faculties of mind and body. Each is antecedent of and conducive to the habit of gambling. However, notwithstanding the fact that features common to both games stand out so prominently, they by no means coincide in every particular. There are ways in which they widely differ.

The game of marbles is played by boys—the majority of whom are probably less than ten years old. It is played on sunny street corners, by the side of some sand-bank or terrace, or in secluded alleys.

Pitching coppers, on the other hand, is practiced by those who would hotly contest the charge of adolescence, who consider themselves *men* and call themselves *college* men. They do not play marbles now. That is below and beneath them. Their minds aspire to higher things. They have advanced a round on the ladder of progress. *They pitch coppers.—Colby Echo.*

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